

Mr. James Fletcher : Will the Government be pleased to note the answer "Nil" given to parts (a) and (b) (i)?

Mr. K. Kunjan Pillai : Government have noted that.

Spillway at Thottapally.

46. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan** (*Karunagapalli, Karthikapalli and Ambalapuzha cam Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they have received any representation from the people for the construction of a spillway at Thottapally to minimise the ravages of flood in Kuttanad ; and

(b) if so, what action have they taken on the same?

Mr. I. C. Chacko (*Ag. Chief Engineer*) : (a) Yes.

(b) The question is being investigated.

Unrepaired bridges on the Quilon-Alleppey road.

47. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan :** Will the Government be pleased to state why such important bridges as the Iron Bridge of Quilon and the bridge at Chavara on the Quilon-Alleppey road are left unrepaired and not made fit for heavy traffic?

Mr. I. C. Chacko : Necessary steps are being taken to repair the two bridges.

Cold Storage Plant.

48. ***Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the cold storage plant in Trivandrum is in working condition ; and

(b) if so, what are the receipts and expenditure in connection with the plant in 1116?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor, University of Travancore*) : (a) Yes.

(b) Receipts	...	Rs. 2,231	Ch. 13	ca. 1
Expenditure	...	" 2,990	" 2	" 0

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar : May I know why the Cold Storage Plant worked at a loss?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Various difficulties were experienced with regard to transport and marketing.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar : May I know whether there is any possibility of making it a paying concern?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Not through departmental management, I am afraid.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar : Do the Government propose to hand it over to private agencies?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : That proposal is under consideration.